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The Honorable Kenneth A. Karas United States District Court Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street, Room 920 New York, New York 10007

Re:

United States v. Wilkens Rivera

06 Cr. 984 (KMK)

Dear Judge Karas:

cc:

The Court has referred arraignment in the above-captioned matter to Magistrate's Court and has scheduled the initial conference for November 3, 2006 at 10:00 am. The Government respectfully submits this letter to request, with defense counsel's consent, that time be excluded under the Speedy Trial Act until the November 3, 2006 conference. During the interim, the parties will be conferring concerning this matter, and defense counsel Michael Hurwitz, Esq., also intends to use this time to consult with his client as to how to proceed. Accordingly, the Government respectfully submits that exclusion of time would serve the interests of justice.

Respectfully submitted,

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SO ORDERED:

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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